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1. At dawn on 13 February 1953, one battalion of Chinese Nationalist guerrillas and one Chinese Nationalist regular army regiment landed on Meichou Island (N 25-04, E 119-08). No resistance was encountered and the island was secured by 1000 hours the same day. Two Chinese Nationalist destroyer escorts and six motor junks supported the operation.
2. Chinese Communist forces at P'uhsich'eng (N 25-08, E 119-08) and Wenchia (N 25-08, E 119-08), across the strait north of Meichou Island, opened fire with rifles, machine guns, and small caliber artillery.
3. One of the destroyer escorts observed Chinese Communist troops at P'inghai (N 25-12, E 119-16) moving west.
4. At 1030 hours on 14 February, the Nationalist forces withdrew without opposition from Meichou Island.

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